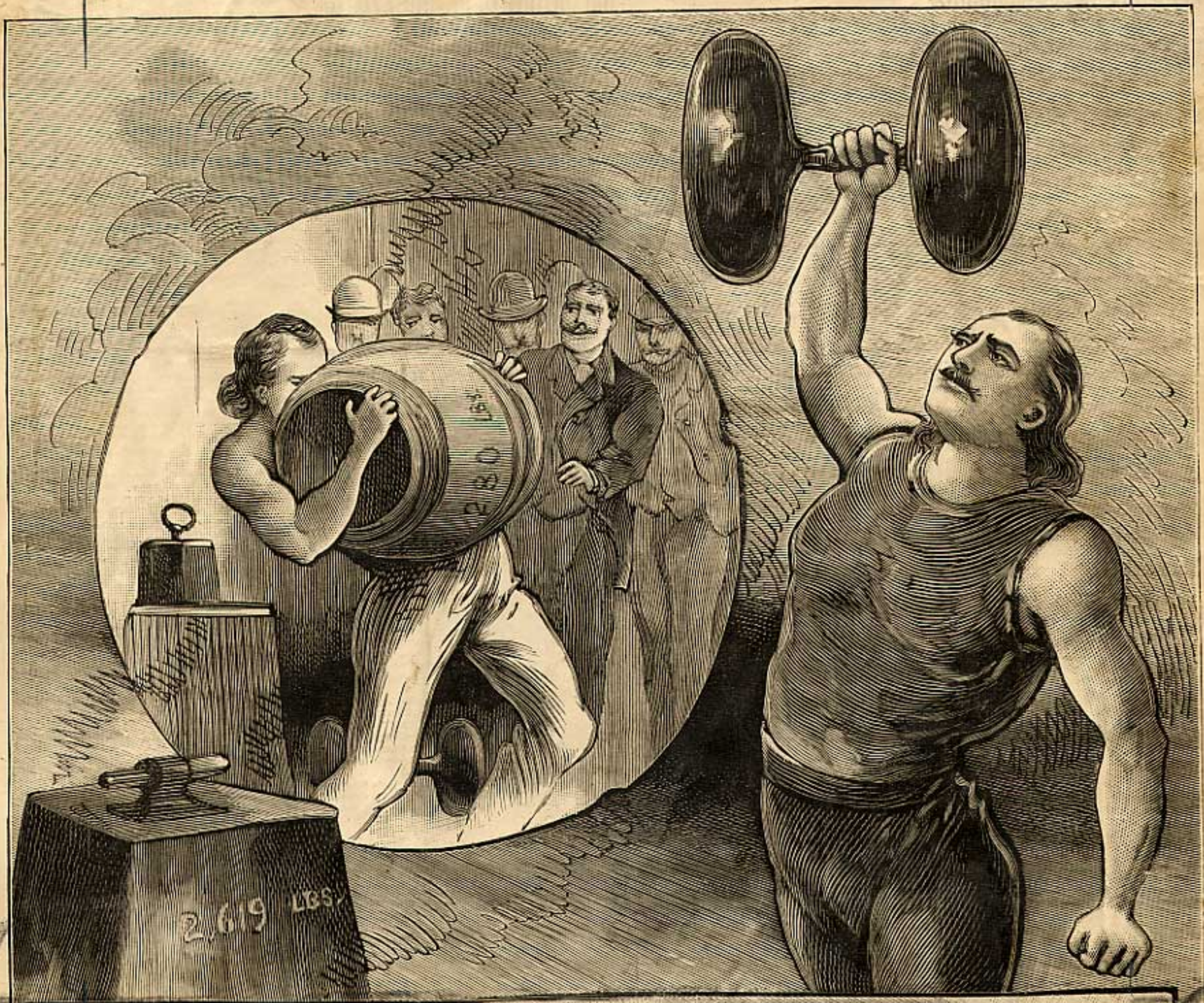


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LOUIS CYR IN ENGLAND.

THE "POLICE GAZETTE" CHAMPION STRONG MAN ASTONISHES THE BRITISHERS.—RICHARD K. FOX OFFERS TO BACK HIM AGAINST ANY MAN FOR FROM £500 TO £1,000.



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LOUIS CYR.

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- THE STRONGEST OF ALL STRONG MEN -
- - ON EARTH - -

The Police Gazette Champion, backed by Richard K. Fox
for \$1000 and upwards.

LOUIS CYR'S RECORDS

Made in the Aquarium Hall of London, Eng. before all the strong men of Europe, in full view of fifteen thousand spectators, every weight or dumb-bell duly weighed by a committee of strong men, in front of representatives from all the Gymnasium Clubs of London, on the 19th day of January, 1892.

1-273½ lbs with one hand from the floor to shoulder and slowly pressed at full arm's length above the head.

2-301 lbs Bar-Bell with two hands from the floor to the shoulders in one motion without touching any part of the body, then slowly pressed at arm's length above the head.

3-174 lbs in one sweep from the floor at arm's length with the right hand, also the same feat was repeated with the left hand.

4-104½ lbs held out from the shoulder at a right angle with the body and brought back to position in same manner.

5-Shouldering a barrel of cement weighing 314 lbs with one hand without the aid of his knees.

6-551 lbs lifted from the floor with one finger only.

7-3635 lbs. This enormous weight was lifted on a platform with the back without harness, being the wonderful feat who has astonished all England.

8-Pulling against four horses of 1000 lbs each, two horses each arm—made at Solmer Park—Montreal, September 20th, 1891, before an audience of 10,000 people.

ORDINARY EXHIBITION:—Will pull against 2 horses of 1,200 lbs each.

old-time players of Manchester. Address all communications to James F. Carr, Manchester.

The supply wagon collided with a tree at the corner of Central and Maple streets, going to the fire yesterday morning, and one of the steps was smashed and the firemen shaken up. The tree is still there.

A praise service will be held at G. A. E. Hall Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The meeting will be conducted by Rev. W. F. Felch. In connection with the meeting Mrs. Waiton will give a select reading. There will also be extra music.

One druggist has removable handles to the faucets of his soda fountain. On one side of the handle the name of the syrup is given; on the opposite side the word "out" is engraved. The latter word is exposed when the syrup tank is low. A man dropped in yesterday afternoon and called for "some of that out."

The editorial workers and the composers of THE UNION are to play at base-ball at Varick park this morning at 9 o'clock. The composers will endeavor to get square with the men who furnish them unintelligible copy, none having been selected from each department. It will without doubt be an artistic exhibition of the national game.

A hearing was held yesterday afternoon before United States Commissioner Shurtzoff of Concord on the petition of the Rhodes & Jacobs Manufacturing Company of Chicago to restrain the city officials of Manchester and the court from preventing their agents selling pictures without a license. City Solicitor E. F. Jones appears for the city and state and Burnham, Brown & Warren for the complainants.

The New Hampshire Philharmonic honorary membership fee is \$5, and entitles the subscriber to all the privileges of the association and also a reserved seat at all the concerts and rehearsals of the musical festival week. The association desires to have as large an honorary list as possible, in order to strengthen it financially this year. Those who desire membership should send their names to Willis Konda, at the Amesbury bank.

PERSONAL.

E. C. Barton of Claremont was in town last night.

F. B. Clark of Soytheville was among hotel arrivals last night.

Charles H. Wetherbee of North Haverhill was in the city last night.

George E. Little of this city is spending a few days with friends in Concord.

A. L. Hadley and P. A. Kidder of Concord were at the New City hotel last night.

Miss A. G. Copp, who is connected with the well-known furrier, H. Crine, 15 Avon street, Boston, is in town for a few days.

Buckley Shirts to Order.

F. L. Wych, agent, will be at the Manchester house, Monday. On request he will call.

Louis Cyr's Samsonian Feats.

The Samsonian feats of the Cyr family were repeated at Gorman's theater last evening before a big and enthusiastic house. Louis Cyr lifted 2775 pounds of men at one lift, and when the heavy horses tried to pull his arms apart the audience was immensely pleased. Mr. Cyr's 7-year-old daughter astonishes by remarkable feats. She lifts from the floor 325 pounds with both hands, 144 pounds with one hand and an 86-pound bell with one finger. Peter Cyr broke his record, lifting 549 pounds with one finger. The Norman sisters' Spanish and doll dancing is an enjoyable feature. Their work is artistic. A new act was added last evening, the slack wire performance of Arthur Leroux. There will be a matinee this afternoon. "The Police Inspector" opens Monday evening.



LOUIS CYR, "THE STRONGEST MAN IN THE WORLD" COMBINATION

UNDER THE MANAGEMENT OF M. G. W. BROOKE.

M. R. A. K. FOX, proprietor of the Police Gazette as his backer for \$500. to \$1000. for his equal.

*Woodstock out.
pleas to see you up here again*

NOTES OF THE DAY.

Carman is a stayer.
 It was a great record smashing day.
 Did you "see her?" Who? "Louie."
 Referee Rubenstein knows his business.
 Iren was the only American rider present.
 The Stewart whistle isn't in it with Ed. Nesbitt.
 Louis Cyr has the saluting act down to perfection.
 McCarthy, Stratford's dark horse, is a likely one.
 Everybody enjoyed the Callaghan procession.
 There are no reports of pneumatics having been punctured.
 There were only three or four high wheels on the ground.
 Alby Robinson started the foot races and he did it well.
 Marshall Wolls and Nasmyth are both good men on the track.
 It was a great, good-natured and orderly crowd. So say the police.
 Although late in the starting, the program was carried out in good time.
 The rain kept off beautifully in the afternoon. Only a few drops fell.
 The visiting wheelmen made many friends by their gentlemanly deportment.
 The W. A. A. is a lucky organizer. It deserved yesterday's good fortune.
 In the morning things did not look very promising and many a frown was seen.
 Fred Foster acted as starter instead of Chas. A. Pyas, who was out of town.
 The running track was a little soft, yet some remarkably fast time was made.
 No better races than the half mile and mile contest could have been wished for.
 Lowe would have made things interesting had he been in proper condition and accustomed to the track.
 Heslop was a favorite with the ladies. He is no doubt a wonderful rider and will be heard from later on.
 It is hinted around that somebody had a kodak on Will Karn in his elevated position. Negatives in a few days.
 Somerville of Princeton now holds the championship of Oxford County. What's the matter with Woodstock?
 The roads were in poor condition for wheeling and consequently the visitors had a poor chance of sight-seeing on their bicycles.
 The action of the Preston football team in leaving the grounds, in the morning, before the game was through did not receive much favor from the spectators.
 The gross gate receipts will amount to about \$900. The proceeds of the concert will be in the neighborhood of \$230. There were between 5,000 and 6,000 people at the park.
 A cocking man was held on the premises of Mr. McCulloch on the Governor's Road on Monday night, lasting nearly all night. Ingersoll, Woodstock and London "sports" were present in full force. Woodstock won seven out of eleven birds against London. There were about one hundred onlookers.
 The special attraction at the grounds was Louis Cyr, who, by his exhibitions, certainly proved himself entitled to the claim of being the strongest man in the world. His strength is certainly phenomenal and astonished the crowd. Among the feats which he accomplished was balancing a barrel of flour on one hand. Dumb-bells, weighing as high as 245 lbs., were lifted out arm's length with one hand; W. A. Karn was balanced in like fashion—and he is no feather-weight—while at the roller rink in the evening Cyr was able to hold his own against a pair of draught horses. 'Twas a wonderful feat. He left for Montreal this morn'g.



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Cyr's Wonderful Feats.
 Wamsutta Hall was crowded to overflowing last evening, the drawing card being the exhibitions of Louis Cyr, called the strongest man on earth. Cyr is truly a physical wonder, as his acts of last evening clearly demonstrated. His lift of 3251 pounds was a marvelous exhibition of strength, and took the audience by storm. The exhibition will be repeated in Monte Pio Hall tonight.

Cyr has been challenged by an unknown named by A. L. Rogers of New York to a contest in feats of strength. Fall River is named as the place of meeting, and next Saturday night selected as the time. Cyr is the Police Gazette champion, and the man who defeats him will receive \$500 in gold, the championship belt valued at \$700 and a purse of \$1000, offered by Richard K. Fox.

Portrait of an ex-Chief Engineer.

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THE STRONG MAN'S CHALLENGE.
 A Stranger's Acceptance Makes a Sensation at the North End.



An audience of 500 people witnessed a good exhibition of strength by Louis Cyr, "the strongest man on earth," at Wamsutta Hall last evening. All went well until Cyr announced that he would give \$500, also a championship belt valued at \$700 (and in addition Mr. Richard K. Fox offers \$1000) to any strong man that will equal him in his feats of strength, whereupon a stranger in the audience stepped forward and the following dialogue took place:

Stranger. Does Mr. Cyr mean what he says?
 Cyr. Yes, sir.

Stranger. Where do you exhibit Saturday night? I shall have to go to New York for my man.

Cyr. In Fall River, and the money is ready at any time.

Stranger. I will be there with my man.
 Cries from the audience of "Sit down," "Go on with the show."

Cyr. What is your name, please?
 Stranger. Rogers.

Cyr. What is the name of your man?
 Stranger. At present we will call him the "Unknown."

Cyr. I guess it will remain "Unknown."
 Cries from audience to the stranger of: "Sit down before you get knocked down;" at which the stranger seated himself amid the hisses of the audience.

It seemed at one time as if a serious disturbance would be the result, but the stranger left the hall shortly afterward amid a few hisses.

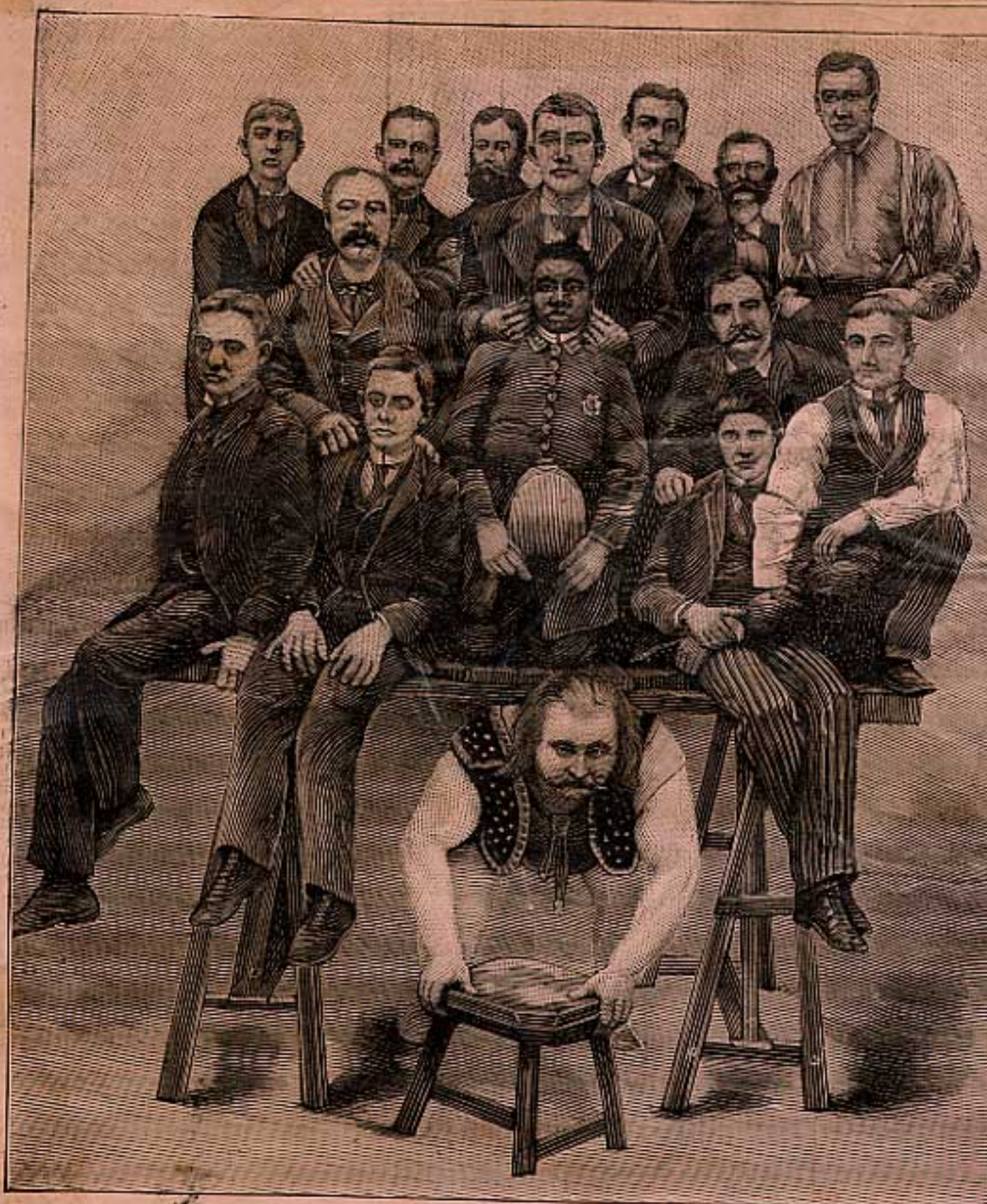
The stranger's name was afterward given to a Standard reporter as A. L. Rogers of New York. He said that he would accept on behalf of an unknown, a challenge of Cyr to meet him in feats of strength. Mr. Rogers names Fall River as the place, and Saturday evening as the time for the test of strength and says that his man will make an effort to secure the \$500 in gold and the championship belt valued at \$700 and the purse of \$1000 offered by Richard K. Fox to any man who will defeat Cyr.

THE MODERN SAMSON.
Louis Cyr Gives an Exhibition in Huntington Hall.

One of the largest audiences seen in Huntington Hall for some time was that which assembled last evening to witness the feats of strength performed by Louis Cyr, who claims to be the strongest man in the world, as far as straight lifting is concerned. In December last he lifted 3993 pounds in Richard K. Fox's office, and Fox has since been backing him against any man in the world. In his first performance last evening he put up the big dumb bell weighing 255 pounds and held it at arm's length above his head. He raised a barrel of rice weighing 263 pounds net to his shoulder with one hand, and he played with a 107 pound dumb bell as an ordinary man would with a 10 pound one. He raised 482 pounds with one finger, the weight being made up of the big dumb-bell, 255 pounds, the small one, 107 pounds, and a man weighing 120 pounds. In his next act he placed his wife on a ladder and balanced the ladder on his chin. The wife weighs only about 190 pounds, while he weighs 300, making quite a contrast. He next raised a 140 pound man to arm's length above his head, pitched a cannon ball weighing 40 pounds several feet high and caught it on his arm, and in the last set gave his back lift. The other features were horizontal bar work by the Sheppard Brothers, clog dancing by Professor Ayotte, forward bending by Michael Murphy and back bending by Charles English.

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A MODERN SAMSON.
LOUIS CYR, THE "POLICE GAZETTE" CHAMPION, DISTINGUISHES HIMSELF AT AN EXHIBITION IN OUR OFFICE.

"POLICE GAZETTE" SAMSON.

Louis Cyr's Feats of Strength
Astonish a Large Audience.

HE CAN ALMOST LIFT A HOUSE.

[SUBJECT OF ILLUSTRATION.]

One of the most interesting and surprising exhibitions of strength that has ever been witnessed in this or any other country took place at this office on Dec. 5, when Louis Cyr, the "Police Gazette" champion strong man, who is a modern Samson, gave a reception to a select company of sporting men and representatives of the New York newspapers. Due announcement had been made of the exhibition, and a programme of feats of strength had been decided upon. Many who read of what the strongest man on earth had assumed to accomplish had their doubts about any man being able to lift over 3,000 pounds with his back, nearly 500 with one finger, shoulder a barrel of lime weighing 251 pounds with one hand, and pick up a 200-pound human being with one hand and hold him up straight from the shoulder; but those who accepted the invitation, and saw the weights scaled and witnessed the wonderful and unprecedented sight, left not only satisfied but greatly surprised.

At the time Richard K. Fox had a dumbbell cast weighing 1,030 pounds, and offered the bell and a gold medal to any strong man who could lift it, and J. W. Kennedy defeated all competitors and carried off the "Police Gazette" medal and the dumbbell, Kennedy's feat was looked upon as wonderful.

But lifting a thousand-pound dumbbell with two hands is not as difficult as lifting a 232-pound bell from the floor with one hand to the shoulder and then pushing it up to arm's length. Cyr honestly and fairly accomplished this before a selected committee. Cyr's performance of putting up this bell was remarkable, but when it is known that he has put up a 265-pound bell, and has an established record for accomplishing the feat, it is not so phenomenal.

It may be stated in this connection that Cyr stands ready to accomplish greater feats for money, for he has a deposit of \$200 posted in this office to engage in a weight-lifting match against any man in the world for \$1,000 a side and the championship of the world. Cyr's feats at this office on Dec. 5 were as follows:

His first feat was putting up a dumbbell which was weighed and registered 102 pounds. He lifted the bell with one hand with comparative ease and held it out straight from the shoulder in a horizontal position.

He then lifted a dumbbell which, when weighed, registered 232 pounds. He lifted this mass of iron with one hand to the shoulder, and then slowly pushed it up and held it in that position.

He then lifted the 232-pound and the 102-pound dumbbell with a man who weighed 150 pounds with one finger. The aggregate weight lifted was 484 pounds, which beat his own record by 40 pounds.

He then balanced Madame Minnie Cyr, who weighs 118 pounds, while she hung on a ladder on his chin.

His most wonderful exhibition of strength was lifting a platform, bound with iron, on which were eighteen men and a 232-pound dumbbell, with his back and hands. Cyr was eager to lift 4,000 weight, but the platform was not large enough. The actual weight Cyr lifted was 3,337 pounds. He has lifted 3,539 pounds of pig iron in the same manner. He then shouldered a barrel of lime which weighed 251 pounds with one hand from the floor.

Cyr demonstrated to the satisfaction of all present that he is the strongest man in the world thus far heard from. Cyr is going to travel all through the West with a combination.

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